

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

(IN FORMAT COMPLIANT WITH THE REVISED 37 CFR 1.121)

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus comprising:

a housing having an upper surface;

a first button disposed in said upper surface and
configured to generate a first instruction;

5 a first device (i) disposed within said housing and (ii)
configured to ~~present~~ generate one or more first control signals in
response to said first instruction, wherein said first control
signals consist of signals dedicated to advancing through a
plurality of slides presented by an electronic presentation program

10 ~~in response to one or more input instructions; and~~

 a bus interface disposed within said housing and
configured to (i) ~~receive~~ present said one or more first control
signals and (ii) provide power to said first device, wherein said
first device is configured to operate according to a standard
15 device driver provided in an operating system and said apparatus is
configured to connect, in addition to a mouse and a keyboard, to a
second device configured to run said electronic presentation
program.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim

1, further comprising:

a second button disposed in said upper surface and
configured to generate a second instruction, wherein (i) said first
5 device is further configured to ~~present~~ generate one or more second
control signals in response to said second instruction, said one or
more second control signals consisting of signals dedicated to
retreating through said plurality of slides and (ii) said bus
interface is further configured to present said one or more second
10 control signals.

D/ 3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim
2, ~~further comprising wherein:~~

~~a said second device is configured to (i) run said~~
~~electronic presentation program and (ii) communicate through a bus~~
5 ~~cable coupled to said bus interface.~~

4. (ORIGINAL) The apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said bus interface comprises a Universal Serial Bus (USB)
bus interface.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim
3 1, wherein said ~~bus comprises~~ first device is configured to
communicate via a wireless link between said first device and with
said second device.

6. (CANCELED) .

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 3 1, wherein said ~~second~~ first device is configured to control said electronic presentation program simultaneously with said ~~first device~~ keyboard and said mouse.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 3 1, wherein said second device comprises a computer.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein (i) said ~~first device~~ bus interface is configured to be hot-plugged to said computer at any time, even while said computer is running, ~~wherein and~~ (ii) said ~~device~~ apparatus is immediately available for use without re-booting or re-powering said computer.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 1 2, wherein said ~~one or more input instructions~~ first instruction and said second instruction are generated by a presenter.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 1 2, wherein said ~~one or more input instructions~~ first instruction and said second instruction are generated in response to ~~one or~~

~~more buttons~~ said first button and said second button,
respectively, being pressed.

12. (ORIGINAL) The apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said first device is configured to operate without user-
installed driver software.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim
1, ~~wherein said first device further comprises~~ comprising:
an alert indicator disposed in said housing.

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim
13, wherein said alert indicator comprises a visible indicator
disposed in a surface of said housing.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim
1, further comprising a laser pointer.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for controlling an
electronic presentation ~~with a device~~ comprising the steps of:

(A) generating providing a first device comprising (i) a
housing, (ii) a first button disposed in a surface of said housing
and (iii) a control circuit disposed within said housing and
configured to generate one or more first control signals in

response to said first button being pressed, wherein said one or more first control signals consist of signals dedicated to advance said electronic presentation through a plurality of slides presented by an electronic presentation program
10 ~~in response to one or more input instructions~~ and said device is configured to connect, in addition to a mouse and a keyboard, to a second device configured to run said electronic presentation program;

15 (B) providing power over a bus to said first device; and

(C) operating said first device according to a standard device driver provided in an operating system.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method according to claim 16, further comprising the step of:

generating providing a second button (i) disposed in said surface of said housing and (ii) configured to generate one or more
5 second control signals in response to said second button being pressed, wherein said one or more second control signals consist of signals dedicated to retreat said electronic presentation through said plurality of slides
~~in response to said one or more input instructions.~~

18. (CANCELED).

19. (ORIGINAL) The method according to claim 16, wherein said method is implemented using a Universal Serial Bus (USB) bus interface.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus comprising:

5 a device consisting of (a) a housing configured to be held in a hand of a presenter, (b) a first button and a second button disposed in a surface of said housing and (c) a control circuit (i) disposed within said housing and (ii) configured to generate one or more first control signals when said first button is pressed and one or more second control signals when said second button is pressed, wherein (i) said one or more first control signals and said one or more second control signals are dedicated to controlling advancement through a plurality of slides presented by an electronic presentation program and (ii) said control circuit is configured to communicate through a bus, ~~wherein said device is configured to operate~~ with a standard device driver provided in an operating system; and

15 a computer configured to (i) run said electronic presentation program and (ii) communicate through said bus, wherein ~~said device is configured to allow~~ said computer to simultaneously control controls said electronic presentation program in response to said device, a keyboard and a mouse.

21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said ~~first device comprises~~ apparatus is configured as a handheld device.

22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first device is configured to enumerate as said standard device.

23. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said first device is configured to enumerate as a human interface device (HID).

24. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said alert indicator comprises a vibrator disposed within said housing.

25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The apparatus according to claim 20, wherein said device is configured to connect to said computer ~~comprises a~~ in addition to said keyboard and ~~a~~ said mouse.

26. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said first device is configured to advance and retreat through said plurality of slides one slide at a time.

27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 17, wherein said one or more first control signals advance said electronic presentation by a single slide only and said one or more second control signals retreat said electronic presentation by a single slide only.
